

The background is a complex collage. On the left, there's a grayscale image of a human skull. In the center, a stylized black and white illustration of a person's skeleton is visible, with the spine and ribcage clearly defined. On the right, a large, high-contrast black and white graphic of a human eye is partially visible. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent orange rectangle in the center.

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Origin Story is set of two images, 45 x 60 cm and 20 x 45 cm, each screen-printed on two sides of 10 cardboard boxes. Origin Story was created for State Of Print.

State Of Print is an artist collective and an artistic investigation. State Of Print asks the question 'What is essential to making a state?' Much in the spirit of Plato's assertion that a philosopher should be king, our answer is 'art (with an emphasis on printmaking)' is essential to the identify of a state.

The State Of Print is a proposition. An evolving visual declaration initiated by a collective of artists beguiled and amused at the catastrophe of current social political thinking and the comedy of established systems of governance.



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State Of Print proposes to cast adrift on a nonsense of our own (print)making – a makeshift non geographical region built upon the flow of ink and a constitutional raft of recycled cardboard. The intention is to explore the current state of nations and the notion that everything that formalises a nation state is printed – money, maps, laws, information, governments, monarchies etc.



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Origin Story, as part of the State Of Print, has been exhibited at the following spaces:

- Generator Projects/Centrespace, Visual Research Centre, Dundee (June 2018)
- WorM Gallery/Peacock Visual Arts, Aberdeen (July 2018)
- La Biblioteca Central de Cantabria (Central Hall), Santander, Spain (Impact 10) (September 2018)
- EINA Gallery, (University of Barcelona) Barcelona, Spain (October 2018)
- Nunns Yard Gallery, Norwich (November 2018)
- ArtLab (University of Central Lancashire), Preston (December 2018)
- Dundee Contemporary Arts (DCA 20th Anniversary), Dundee (March 2019)

Forthcoming Exhibitions

- Cork Festival of Arts (June 2019)
- Limerick City Art Gallery (November 2019 – February 2020)



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